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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y FOR REF A THRU E (VICE REF A,C,E)

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: ITU LISTINGS FOR BERLIN

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1. AT JULY 1 BONN GROUP MEETING AND JULY 2 TRIPARTITE MEETING REPS DISCUSSED REPORTS EACH HAD RECEIVED OF GENEVA MEETING (REFTEL C) ON GDR REQUESTS FOR CHANGES IN BERLIN LISTINGS IN ITU REFERENCE DOCUMENTS.

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2. AT JULY 2 TRIPARTITE MEETING ALLIED REPS AGREED

THAT BEST WAY TO DISPOSE OF PROBLEM WOULD BE TO USE DISCLAIMER. REPS WERE OPPOSED TO FRG SUGGESTION IN GENEVA OF PROPOSING "BERLIN (WEST), FRG" FORMULATION AS THREAT TO GET GDR TO DROP ITS LANGUAGE FOR EAST BERLIN. (WE HAVE NOTED APPARENT DISCREPANCY AS TO WHAT FRG SUGGESTING. IN BONN GROUP REPORT OF GENEVA MEETING, FRG REP SAID "BERLIN (WEST)" HAD BEEN SUGGESTED; REFTEL C INDICATES "WEST BERLIN" WAS SUGGESTED.)

3. UK REP (MINEEFF) NOTED THAT A PRECEDENT OF SORTS FOR A DISCLAIMER ALREADY EXISTED IN THE PREFACE OF THE ITU INTERNATIONAL FREQUENCY LIST (IFC) WHERE THERE IS A NOTE THAT "COUNTRY SYMBOLS HAVE A GEOGRAPHICAL SIGNIFICANCE ONLY". FRENCH REP (BOISSIEU) SUGGESTED, IN LIGHT OF THIS, THAT BEST APPROACH WOULD BE TO STAY AS CLOSE TO ITU PROCEDURES AS POSSIBLE AND DRAFT ONE GENERAL DISCLAIMER - NOT DIRECTLY MENTIONING BERLIN - WHICH COULD BE USED AS NECESSARY IN PREFACES OF EACH ITU DOCUMENT. BOISSIEU ALSO THOUGHT SUCH DISCLAIMER LANGUAGE MIGHT SERVE AS A MODEL FOR USE IN OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. IF DSYG BUTLER OF ITU DECLINED FOR SOME REASON TO PUT GENERAL DISCLAIMER IN PREFACES, THEN A SPECIFIC BERLIN FOOTNOTE DISCLAIMER COULD BE DRAFTED TO BE PLACED ON EACH PAGE WHERE BERLIN (EITHER EAST OR WEST) APPEARS. UK AND US REPS SUPPORTED FRENCH SUGGESTION ON PREFATORY GENERAL DISCLAIMER IN ITU CONTEXT AND IDEA OF RECOMMENDING IT AS MODEL TEXT FOR USE BY OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. US REP ALSO NOTED THAT IT WOULD BE EASIER TO MONITOR ITU THROUGH ON INCLUSION OF DISCLAIMER IN FUTURE DOCUMENTS IF IT WERE CONTAINED IN PREFACES RATHER THAN FOOTNOTES.

4. FOLLOWING IS GENERAL PREFACE DISCLAIMER DEVELOPED BY TRIPARTITE REPS: BEGIN TEXT:
REFERENCES TO PLACE NAMES OR SYMBOLS ARE GIVEN FOR TECHNICAL OR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES ONLY AND ARE WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO ANY QUESTIONS OF STATUS WHICH MAY BE INVOLVED. END TEXT.

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5. REPS ALSO DISCUSSED HOW WEST BERLIN SHOULD BE TREATED IN ITU LISTINGS IN VIEW OF FACT THAT ITU WILL APARENTLY ACQUIESCE IN GDR REQUESTED CHANGES (REFTEL C). CONSENSUS WAS THAT WEST BERLIN SHOULD RECEIVE EQUAL TREATMENT. THEREFORE, FRG SHOULD BE ASKED TO REQUEST ITU LISTING AS "BERLIN,FRG."

6. COMMENT: IN VIEW GENERAL AGREEMENT (A) THAT EFFORTS

TO SEEK TO RESIST GDR EFFORT TO HAVE LISTING "BERLIN,
GDR" WOULD BE FRUITLESS, AND (B) AGREEMENT TO RELY ON
DISCLAIMER TO PROTECT ALLIED LEGAL AND POLITICAL
INTERESTS, AND (C) ABSENCE OF OTHER ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE
DESIGNATIONS FOR WSB, FRENCH AND UK REPS STRONGLY URGED
THAT DESIGNATION FOR WSB BE MADE PARALLEL TO DESIGNA-
TION URGED BY GDR FOR EAST BERLIN. LEGAL AND
POLITICAL DISCLAIMER WAS CONSIDERED AS GOOD
VIS-A-VIS FRG RE WSB AS IT IS VIS-A-VIS GDR AND SOVIETS
RE EAST BERLIN. MOREOVER, SCRUTINY OF PRESENT VARIETY
OF LISTINGS FOR BOTH PARTS OF BERLIN IN ITU DOCUMENTS
REVEALS THAT:

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(A) 23RD EDITION (1971) OF INTERNATIONAL TST-

LISTING (TELEGRAPH OFFICE LIST), CONTAINS MANY LISTINGS FOR OFFICES IN BERLIN WITH NUMBER OR NAME OF BERLIN SUBDIVISION FOLLOWED BY DESIGNATION "ALLEMAGNE" IN COLUMN NEXT TO FURTHER COLUMN SHOWING EITHER "BERLIN OUEST" OR "BERLIN ST;"

(B) 7TH EDITION OF PREFACE TO THE INTERNATIONAL FREQUENCY LIST (FEB. 1, 1973), ON PAGE FOR "DDR" THREE TIMES LISTS "BERLIN," WITH COUNTRY COLUMN SHOWING "DDR," AND ON PAGE FOR "D" CONTAINS ONE LISTING "BERLIN 1," WITH COUNTRY COLUMN "D"; AND

(C) 7TH EDITION (FEBRUARY 1, 1973) NOMENCLATURE DES STATIONS FIXES, UNDER "D" FOR FRG, LISTS "BERLIN" OVER
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40 TIMES, AND UNDER "D" FOR GDR LISTS "BERLIN SCHFELD" 13 TIMES. IN VIEW OF CURRENT LISTINGS FREQUENTLY HAVING NO DISCLAIMER IN PREFACE, AND NONE AS EFFECTIVE AS THE ONE PROPOSED IN PARA 4, ABOVE, BONN GROUP REPS SAW NO HARM IN MAINTAINING PARALLELISM IN DESIGNATION TO BE SOUGHT FOR WSB TO THAT BEING SOUGHT BY GDR FOR EAST BERLIN, EACH TYPE OF CITY AND COUNTRY LISTING BY REASON OF DISCLAIMER BEING ONLY MEANS OF MAKING GEOGRAPHIC DISTINCTION BETWEEN TWO PARTS OF BERLIN.

7. REPS AGREED TO RECOMMEND PREFACE DISCLAIMER TEXT TO CAPITALS, ALONG WITH SUGGESTED TREATMENT OF WEST BERLIN IN ITU LISTS, BEFORE RAISING MATTER AGAIN WITH FRG IN BONN GROUP.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT CONCURRENCE.
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